

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Takaaki HIRA et al.

Serial No: 10/596,475

Filed: May 15, 2007

Confirmation No.: 7023

For: THERMAL HEAD,METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING THE SAME,  
AND THERMAL PRINTER

Art Unit: 2834

Examiner: San Martin, Jaydi A

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

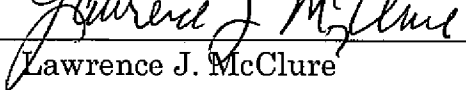
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one-month extension of time extending to October 16, 2009, the period for response to the Final Office Action dated June 16, 2009. Please charge the fee of \$130.00 for this extension to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

Please charge any insufficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,

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